

REMARKS/ARGUMENT

Claims 1-3 and 5-14 are currently pending.

The subject matter of claim 2 has been incorporated into claim 1.

The subject matter of original claim 4 has been moved from claim 1 to claim 2.

The effect of these amendments is that claim 1 is now directed to the subject matter of original claim 2, and claim 2 is directed to the subject matter of original claim 4.

In the Office Action dated January 25, 2007, the Office indicated that claims 2-11 contained allowable subject matter. In accordance with this indication of allowable subject matter, Applicant incorporated the subject matter of claim 4 into claim 1.

However, on July 30, 2007, the Office issued a new rejection of claim 1 as amended.

Applicant's intent has been to take advantage of the indication of allowable subject matter as set forth in the January 25, 2007, Office Action. Accordingly, Applicant has amended claim 1 such that it is directed to the subject matter of original claim 2.

Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that this claim is in condition for allowance.

Applicant has also reinstated the subject matter of claim 4 into a dependent claim (claim 2 as amended).

Applicant's representative discussed these amendments with Examiner Ruddock via telephone on December 11, 2007. At that time, it was indicated that these amendments would be acceptable.

In view of the above, Applicant respectfully submits that all pending claims are directed to allowable subject matter.

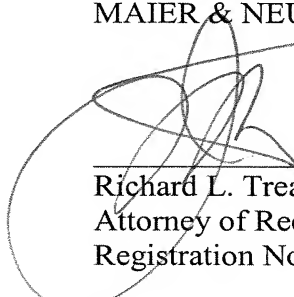
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Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103 and the doctrine of obviousness type double patenting.

Applicant believes that the present application is in condition for allowance. Prompt and favorable consideration is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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